



## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicant:** Mark T. Girard  
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**For:** PROCESSING ASSEMBLY AND  
METHOD

**Examiner:** Trinh, Minh N.  
**Group Art Unit:** 3729  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the final Office Action mailed June 22, 2006, for one month from September 22, 2006, to October 23, 2006 (October 22, 2006 falling on a Sunday).

Enclosed is a check for \$120.00. Please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1775.

Respectfully Submitted,

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